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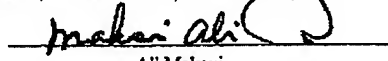
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Tom Krommiller et al.

Serial No.: 10/066,387

Filing Date: 1/31/2002

For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR
STORING AND MANIPULATING
DIAGONAL INTERCONNECT LINES
OF A MULTIDIMENSIONAL
INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DESIGN

Examiner: DO, THUAN V

Group Art Unit: 2825

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

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Dear Sir:

In complete response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers dated 9/29/05,
attached please find:

1. Notice to File Corrected Application Papers.
2. Copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application signed by Steven Teig.
3. A Return Receipt Post Card.
4. Transmittal Form.

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this transmittal and associated documents, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1128 referencing SPLX.P0041.

Respectfully submitted,

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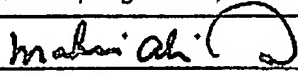
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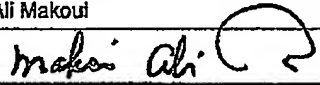
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NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

Notice of Allowance Mailed

This application has been accorded an Allowance Date and is being prepared for issuance. The application, however, is incomplete for the reasons below.

Applicant is given 30 days from the mail date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. A failure to reply will result in the application being ABANDONED. This period for reply is NOT extendable under 37 CFR 1.136 (a) or (b).

- Signature for Steven Teig is missing from the oath/declaration.

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In the application of:

Tom Kronmiller

Serial No.: 10/066,387

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
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OF A MULTIDIMENSIONAL
INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DESIGN.

PATENT APPLICATION

Examiner:

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Group Art Unit: 2171

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled Method and Apparatus For Storing and Manipulating Diagonal Interconnect Lines of a Multidimensional Integrated Circuit Design, the specification of which was filed on 1/31/02 as United States Application Number 10/066,387.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claim(s), as amended by any amendment referred to above. I do not know and do not believe that the claimed invention (1) was ever known or used in the United States of America before my invention thereof, (2) was patented or described in any printed publication in any country before my invention thereof or more than one year prior to this application, (3) was in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application, or (4) was patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months (for a utility patent application) or six months (for a design patent application) prior to this application.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56 (and reprinted in Appendix A).

I hereby claim the benefit under title 35, United States Code, Section 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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Claim of Benefit to Prior Non-Provisional Application(s)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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Claim of Foreign Priority

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(a)-(d), of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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Power of Attorney

I hereby appoint the persons listed on Appendix B hereto (which is incorporated by reference and a part of this document) as my respective patent attorneys and patent agents, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected herewith.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Full Name of Inventor: Tom Kronmiller (1)

Inventor's Signature _____ Date _____

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Inventor's Signature ST Date 6/3/02

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APPENDIX A

Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56

A. Duty to Disclose Information Material to Patentability

(a) A patent by its very nature is affected with a public interest. The public interest is best served, and the most effective patent examination occurs when, at the time an application is being examined, the Office is aware of and evaluates the teachings of all information material to patentability. Each individual associated with the filing and prosecution of a patent application has a duty of candor and good faith in dealing with the Office, which includes a duty to disclose to the Office all information known to that individual to be material to patentability as defined in this section. The duty to disclose information exists with respect to each pending claim until the claim is cancelled or withdrawn from consideration, or the application becomes abandoned. Information material to the patentability of a claim that is cancelled or withdrawn from consideration need not be submitted if the information is not material to the patentability of any claim remaining under consideration in the application. There is no duty to submit information which is not material to the patentability of any existing claim. The duty to disclose all information known to be material to patentability is deemed to be satisfied if all information known to be material to patentability of any claim issued in a patent was cited by the Office or submitted to the Office in the manner prescribed by §§1.97(b)-(d) and 1.98. However, no patent will be granted on an application in connection with which fraud on the Office was practiced or attempted or the duty of disclosure was violated through bad faith or intentional misconduct. The Office encourages applicants to carefully examine:

- (1) Prior art cited in search reports of a foreign patent office in a counterpart application, and
- (2) The closest information over which individuals associated with the filing or prosecution of a patent application believe any pending claim patentably defines, to make sure that any material information contained therein is disclosed to the Office.

(b) Under this section, information is material to patentability when it is not cumulative to information already of record or being made of record in the application, and

- (1) It establishes, by itself or in combination with other information, a prima facie case of unpatentability of a claim; or
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 - (ii) Asserting an argument of patentability.

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(c) Individuals associated with the filing or prosecution of a patent application within the meaning of this section are:

- (1) Each inventor named in the application;
- (2) Each attorney or agent who prepares or prosecutes the application; and
- (3) Every other person who is substantively involved in the preparation or prosecution of the application and who is associated with the inventor, with the assignee or with anyone to whom there is an obligation to assign the application.

(d) Individuals other than the attorney, agent or inventor may comply with this section by disclosing information to the attorney, agent, or inventor.

APPENDIX B

Mani Adeli, Reg. No. 39,585; Dag H. Johansen, Reg. No. 36,172; John Stattler, Reg. No. 36,285, my patent attorneys, of STATTLER, JOHANSEN & ADELI LLP, with offices located at 540 University Ave - Suite 350, Palo Alto, California 94301, telephone (650) 752-0990, fax (650) 752-0995.

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